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Ronald J. Tenpas, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on August 19, 2004, **KIMO K. DAVIS**, age 24, of Washington Park, Illinois, pled guilty to an indictment charging him with possession with the intent to distribute approximately 68.9 grams of crack cocaine, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). The offense carries with it a minimum of ten (10) years' imprisonment up to life, a fine of \$4 million dollars, or both, and at least five (5) years of supervised release. Sentencing is scheduled for December 3, 2004, in East St. Louis, Illinois.

The violation took place on April 29, 2004, when **DAVIS** was stopped by Washington Park police for driving without headlights. **DAVIS** was arrested pursuant to an outstanding warrant from St. Clair County. A search conducted at the time of **DAVIS's** arrest revealed three (3) large baggies of crack cocaine in a Subway bag in **DAVIS's** right front pants pocket.

The investigation was conducted by the Washington Park Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration, in cooperation with the St. Clair County States Attorney's Office, as part of those agencies' participation in Project Safe Neighborhoods, a nation-wide initiative intended to combat gun and drug crimes. The case was handled by Assistant United States Attorney Angela Scott.